

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 26**

January 29, 2007

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Exempts from the Open Meetings Law student disciplinary hearings conducted by a school board after an appeal of the decision of the disciplinary hearing authority unless the student or student's parent requests in writing that the hearing be conducted as an open meeting.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **MINIMAL**

Assumption:

- The federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act currently requires LEAs to ensure that personally identifiable student information contained in student records be kept confidential and not shared with unauthorized third parties without prior written consent of the parents. This federal law would supersede any state law requiring meetings to be open.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director